

Resolution: Merger with Liberation Road

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Whereas,

In the past year, CCDS has had a number of meetings with Liberation Road (formerly one of the two groups that split within Freedom Road Socialist Organization).

Liberation Road is a multi-racial socialist organization, with a significant youth membership, and has many political positions and strategies similar to ours.

Liberation Road and CCDS have each discussed our work, and we have embarked on several joint projects, including joint Socialist Education Projects, and dialogue around a Mexican Solidarity Project.

Because of our history and efforts to build a Progressive Majority, and greater left unity, there is talk among some in CCDS to further these collaborations with Liberation Road and, if fruitful, consider merging our two organizations. We believe these developments are positive.

Therefore be it resolved,

1. That CCDS present to Liberation Road a written Proposal of Intent to Merge, to jointly develop a process to move both organizations toward greater collaboration that would lead to a merger of the two organizations if mutually agreed upon benchmarks are successfully met. These steps would include, but not be limited to, a review of each organizations Program, Constitution, By-Laws and other relevant documents and practices to identify areas of general agreement or compatibility, and areas where differences exist, with the intention of discussing and negotiating and re-writing those portions to arrive at agreement; and
2. That CCDS could approve of this merger only after a full discussion and an affirmative vote by the majority of CCDS membership who chooses to vote on this Proposal; and
3. That the incoming CCDS National Coordinating Committee take up implementation of this resolution at its first meeting.

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